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THE LAST GAME OF THE SEASON

Varsity Does Not Score, But Outplays Union—The Most Interesting Contest of the Year

A SUMMARY

FIRST HALF

	No. of Punts	Total Distance	Av'ge.
Hamilton	3	120 yds	40 yds
Union	4	140 yds	35 yds

Number of first downs

Hamilton	12
Union	3

Total distance gained

Hamilton 145 yds. Union 60 yds.

SECOND HALF

	No. of Punts	Total Distance	Av'ge.
Hamilton	2	65 yds	32½ yds.
Union	4	135 yds	33¾ yds

Number of first downs

Hamilton	12
Union	3

Total distance gained

Hamilton 243 yards. Union 40 yards

SUMMARY OF BOTH HALVES

	No. of Punts	Total Distance	Av'ge.
Hamilton	5	185 yds	37 yds
Union	8	275 yds	34⅜ yds

Number of first downs

Hamilton 24. Union 6.

Distance gained

Hamilton 388 yards Union 100 yards

The most interesting football game that has been seen on Steuben Field in many years, was witnessed Saturday by a large number of spectators. It was the annual battle between Union and Hamilton, and resulted in a no-score game. The crowd included many people from near-by towns, and a Union cheering contingent of 200 men.

The student-body marched on the field at 2:30 and occupied the bleachers. Shortly afterward, the Union contingent arrived to fill the grandstand opposite. During the delay caused by the late arrival of the Union team, the two sections exchanged songs and cheers, until the whistle blew.

Altho the score does not indicate the fact, the game should have been a Hamilton victory. As the summary above shows, the 'Varsity out-played their opponents thruout the contest. It was with little difficulty that the Buff and Blue backs tore thru the Garnet line, and dashed around the ends for a gain of twenty or thirty yards at a time. Union found the 'Varsity line impregnable, and gained ground only by a few successful forward passes. It would be almost unjust to pick out any one man for special praise. The whole team played like a machine, with the back-field gaining consistently, and the line playing as never before during the past season. Not a single substitution was made. However, Harper should receive the praise that is his due. He played a phenomenal game. Good interference manifested itself for the first time this season, McGovern doing some especially good work for a man of his weight. The ends did their work well. Knox and Sidle were, as usual, steady and consistent, if not brilliant. For Union, Brown was the star.

The game in detail: Drummond kicked off to Irish, who received the ball on Union's 10-yard line and brought it back 10. Knox pulled off a run of 25 yards around right end, and Harper and Sidle each added five yards. Harper gained another five yards thru the line and Hamilton kicked onside. Knox covered the ball and placed it on Union's 15-yard line. Burdick circled left end for five yards. With the ball on the Garnet's 10-yard line, Drummond dropped back and tried a drop kick. The ball went wide by a margin of one and one-half feet.

Union took the ball on her 25-yard line and Hamilton held. Brown punted to Knox on Hamilton's 35-yard line. By a pretty run, Knox returned the ball to the centre of the field. Immediately, however, Hamilton was penalized to her 20-yard line for holding. From thence Drummond punted 35 yards to Shutler, who carried the ball back to the 25-yard line. Brown tried a drop kick for a goal from the field. The ball went wide.

Hamilton was given the ball on her 25-yard line. Harper smashed thru centre for 12 yards and Knox found a similar hole in the line for 20 yards more. Harper added eight yards around end and Drummond punted to Shutler on Union's 20-yard line. Finding the Hamilton line impregnable, Union punted to Knox in the centre of the field. Knox came back five yards and on the next play the ball was fumbled and covered by Union. A successful forward pass from Shutler to Irish gave Union 10 yards. On a wide formation play Union failed, and the ball went into Hamilton's possession on the latter's 45-yard line. Harper circled left end for 10 yards and Knox went around right end for an additional 15 yards. Union then secured the ball on a fumble and kicked onside to Hamilton's 35-yard line, where it was covered by Knox. On the next play Hamilton was penalized five yards for holding and Drummond punted to Shutler on Union's 30-yard line. Shutler came back five yards. Union failed on a forward pass and was penalized to her 20-yard line. Brown punted to McGovern on Union's 50-yard line. Hamilton tried a forward pass and the ball was intercepted by Irish exactly in the centre of the field. There the first half ended with the ball in Union's possession.

As the second half opened, Brown kicked to Harper on the 10-yard line. He brought the ball back 25 yards on a forward pass. Harper broke thru Union's line for 50 yards, making a spectacular run, and all but scoring a touchdown. Hamilton was penalized 15 yards, however, and on the next play the ball went to Union on a fumble. Brown punted to Harper on Hamilton's 50-yard line and Harper came back five yards. Knox circled left end for 15 yards, Peters added five yards and a forward pass from Harper to Peters placed the ball on Union's 30-yard line. Harper and Knox bucked the line for five yards and three yards respectively and Harper tried a forward pass to Burdick. Shutler intercepted the ball and carried it back five yards. Brown punted to Knox on Hamilton's 25-yard line. The Hamilton backs rushed the ball

down to the centre of the field on line bucks and Union then secured the ball on downs. Brown and Hequembourg worked the ball down to Hamilton's 40-yard line and Brown tried a drop kick from that point. Glover blocked the ball and covered it on Hamilton's 50 yard line. Hamilton failed on a forward pass and the ball went to Union, being covered by Brown. Union made a successful forward pass of 10 yards and then found Hamilton's line invincible. Brown punted to Hamilton's 25-yard line. Knox punted on-side to Shutler on Hamilton's 35-yard line. Union worked the ball successfully to Hamilton's 25-yard line and again Doran Brown tried for a goal by drop kick. The ball again went wide. Hamilton played the ball from her 25-yard line. Harper made five yards thru tackle and Drummond punted to Shutler on Union's 40-yard line. Union was penalized 15 yards on an attempted forward pass. Brown punted to McGovern in the centre of the field, McGovern brought the ball back 15 yards. Hamilton tried an end run by Harper and a forward pass, which failed, and resulted in Hamilton being penalized. Harper then broke away thru tackle and carried the ball to Union's 7-yard line. By a line plunge Harper carried it over Union's goal. On alleged hurdling, Hamilton was penalized 15 yards. Harper made five yards around left end. Union secured the ball by covering an onside kick. Brown punted to the centre of the field. Harper circled right end for 15 yards and left end for five yards. Then Drummond punted to Brown on Union's five-yard line. There the game ended with the ball in Union's possession.

The line-up and summary:

Hamilton (0).	Union (0).
Burdick	Miller
Left End.	
Fiske	Trapp
Left Tackle.	
Glover (Capt.)	O'Connell
Left Guard.	
Baldwin	Vedder
Center.	
Wisehart	Sellnow
Right Guard.	
Drummond	Brown
Right Tackle.	
Peters	Irish
Right End.	
McGovern	Shutler
Quarterback.	
Harper	Hequembourg (Capt.)
Right Halfback.	
Knox	Riley
Left Halfback	
Sidle	Micks
Fullback.	

Officials: Referee, Boynton, Cornell; umpire, Draper, Williams, '98; field judge, Porter, Cornell; head linesman, Moore, Hamilton, ex. '10; assistant linesmen, Watkins, '12, Hamilton, Hyde '10, Union· time of halves, 25 minutes.

DAY WINS TOURNAMENT

In a long, keenly fought match, which displayed occasional bursts of brilliant tennis, Day, '11, defeated Woods, '13, in the final match of the tennis tournament, last Wednesday. At no time was the outcome certain, altho Day had already taken two sets the Saturday previous, 9-7. In the fourth set Day was at his best, and took the first three games. Woods then forged ahead, tying the score. However, the next three went to Day, making the score of the final set, 6-3. Dounce, '10, acted as referee of the match.

Day receives a racquet as winner, and Woods a racquet cover and the balls of the semi-finals and finals. On the basis of this tournament the department of Intramural Sports will conduct a handicap tournament, an invitation tournament and an open tournament in doubles, next Spring term. The ranking of the first eight men is: Day, '11, first; Woods, '13, second; Getman, '11, and Hemenway, '10, third and fourth. Those who reached the fourth round are: Allen, '11, Deimel, '10, Hallock, '12, and Getman, '10.

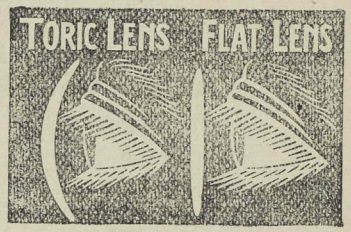
SENIOR-JUNIOR FOOTBALL

Another interclass football game was played yesterday afternoon at 4:30. Wills was captain of the 1910 team and Gould of 1911. The Juniors outplayed the Seniors during the first half, scoring 5 to 0. The score was made by Day covering an attempted drop kick, and running thru the Senior line for a touchdown. During the second half the Seniors held their own, altho the ball was in their part of the field most of the time. Allen and Colson starred for the Juniors, Abbott and Titus played brilliantly for the Seniors.

The line-up:

1910	1911
Titus	Willard (Gaige)
Right End.	
I. A. Hall	Gould (Capt.)
Right Tackle.	
Mix	Manion
Right Guard.	
Barber	Marhaver
Center.	
Hastings	Ralston
Left Guard	
Hemenway (Deimel)	Peters
Left Tackle.	
Wills (Capt.) (Stone)	Allen
Left End.	
Judson	Day
Quarterback.	
Abbott	Gouge
Right Halfback.	
Burns (Knox)	Colson
Left Halfback.	
Sarles	Curtis
Fullback.	

Referee, Drummond, '12; Umpire, Peters, '12; Timer, Stone, '13; Head linesman, Kultchar, '13; time of halves 10 minutes.



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ONE OF THE GREATEST disappointments to a football team is to outplay and completely outclass an opponent and yet not win the game. This was exactly what happened last Saturday on Steuben Field; and what was more exasperating to actually have crossed the line for a touchdown, and then to be penalized for alleged hurdling by an umpire, ignorant of the fact that the infliction of the penalty for hurdling lies solely within the jurisdiction of the referee.

It is far from the policy of LIFE to criticise the honesty of any official, but we do maintain that it was ignorance of the rules on the part of the Referee, Mr. Boynton, and Umpire Draper that deprived Hamilton of a well earned victory.

With the ball on Union's 7-yard line, Harper plunged across for a touchdown. Umpire Draper claimed that he had fouled by hurdling, to which referee Boynton disagreed. Draper insisted upon imposing the prescribed penalty of 15 yards to which Boynton, presumably thru ignorance of the rules submitted.

LIFE maintains two points.

1st. That Umpire Draper penalized a play in which he had no jurisdiction whatsoever.

We quote from the Rule Book.

RULE XXIX.

DUTIES OF AN UMPIRE.

SECTION I. THE UMPIRE SHALL BE JUDGE OF THE CONDUCT AND THE POSITION OF THE PLAYERS AND HIS DECISION SHALL BE FINAL REGARDING SUCH FOULS AS ARE *NOT SPECIFICALLY* PLACED WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE REFEREE OR FIELD JUDGE.

Nowhere is hurdling mentioned as a duty of the *umpire*.

2d. That Referee Boynton, inasmuch as the hurdling penalty can be imposed by the referee, *alone*, should have maintained his authority instead of yielding to the opinion of the umpire who had no authority to act.

We quote further from the rule book.

RULE XXVIII.

Section 2. THE DECISION OF THE REFEREE UPON ALL MATTERS NOT SPECIFICALLY DESIGNATED UNDER THE DUTIES OF OTHER OFFICIALS SHALL BE FINAL.

A BRIEF OF THE RULES, (WHERE REFEREE HAS JURISDICTION), INCLUDES RULE VI. SEC. 15. *"HURDLING."*

THE FOOTBALL SEASON of 1909 is past and gone. The Seniors have played their last game. The coach has left the Hill. It is over. But before we become interested in other activities, LIFE wishes to make a few comments. In a word, neither the team nor the college struck its gait until the past few weeks. For the former, there is plenty of excuse. The season started with a young and inexperienced team. Coach Pryor had a hard task before him, and that he did it well goes without saying. The backfield which he developed, is as good as any in the memory of the the present college generation. In the last few games they have played a remarkable game, of which every man of us is proud. Those two light, but fast, ends were made—actually made during the season. The line with a few exceptions was not up to the standard simply because the material was not there to make it so. But the team did finally come into its own. It was only a bad break of fortune and ignorance of the rules on the part of an official, which prevented a glorious victory as a fitting finale to the season. For, who will deny, that the Blue team played Garnet off its feet, and deserved the victory which it did not receive.

But now as to the college—we must say, altho with much regret, that it has not supported the team during the entire season. What success the 'Varsity has had is in no way due to the student body. But the college, too, came into its own during the last week and the last game. The entire student body was out for cheering practice, and that same group of men yelled themselves hoarse at the Union game. A Union man was heard, between the halves, to say: "That bunch of yours is certainly doing some great cheering and singing." And we were proud to hear it. Yes, it is true the college did back the team, but how much better had that been its attitude during the season; if no urging had been necessary to bring men out for practice, but if every man had done his little share of the work. Yes, it is past and gone, but we can start right next year, and remember that we can do something, and, then, do it with a hearty enthusiasm—not artificial, but real Hamilton loyalty and love.

COACH PRYOR has worked hard and faithfully during the season to develop a good team. He has done just that, and the college praises him for it. He practically made every good quality that manifested itself in the work of the 'Varsity men during the Union game. But why let all his efforts, and what is more important, his results be wasted by starting out next season with a new system and a new coach. It will be more than worth while to get Pryor back, and LIFE is sure that the College and the Squad would back up any effort the Management might make to accomplish such an end. The immediate attention of next year's manager to the matter would be in place, and, if successful, will help to make the season of 1910 a glorious success.

"THE CHICAGO ALUMNI of Hamilton college are rejoicing over the generous gift of $100,000 to that institution by the late John S. Kennedy of New York. There is some added local interest in this old college on the Hill from the fact that the president, Dr. M. Woolsey Stryker, is well remembered as the brilliant pastor of the Fourth Presbyterian church in this city. Under his wise and energetic administration, Hamilton has made wonderful progress and the older alumni who have not visited the Hill in years would be fairly amazed at the physical change. The freshman class this year is the largest in the long and splendid history of the college. The class last year was next to the largest. This growth suggests the thought that the lines of education are turning again to the old classical colleges that have held to their ideals. Hamilton college is not a department store of education. It isn't a place where you may come when you please, stay as

long as you like and take away a degree. It is not a trade school. It is a seat of learning in the highest meaning and its alumni are proud of it." —*Chicago Evening Journal.*

This article, which appeared in a recent issue of the above mentioned paper is sure to interest the College. True, Hamilton has held to the old classical ideals, and we are proud of it. But it is even better to know that there are many in the world at large, who believe, just as firmly as do we ourselves, that such ideals are worthy of attainment. It can mean only one thing—a great and glorious future for Carissima.

To the Editor of LIFE:

Since the good old days of "Prex" Fisher, regular prayer meetings have not been in the College Curriculum. In Samuel's time things were different: there was no Y. M. C. A. Now we have such an institution. The College has other good things, too. We prosper and flourish right healthily. But it does not follow that the abandonment of Prayer Meetings brought this about, any more than it follows that this would not have come in the growth of a multitude of College interests had we hung fast to the prayer meeting as a source of strength.

But in late years, from many quarters, from thinking men, and from the camps of the scornful, has come wholesale and healthy as well as thotless, carping criticism of the Y. M. C. A., and its method. It was claimed that the Association was ministering to those who stood least in need of ministration. Instead of being a power among Hamilton men, it was anything but that, and instead of having the backing of the majority of students, it had their humorous toleration. This was not good; neither for the Y. M. C. A. nor for the humorous majority. Nevertheless no man can sneer at the idea of the majority; it is as blindly foolish to think oneself righteous because he stands in a minority as it is stupid to imagine that majority is synonymous with right. There is a mean. What it is need not be here stated. We are not quite sure that we can define it. But we humbly submit that the lazier a man is the less reason will he find for Prayer. It is your strong man, the man who works honestly, early and late and earnestly who finds in Prayer, aid and encouragement. There is nothing like the buffets of a perverse "cold, cold world" to set men thinking seriously. either for their pocket books or their souls. Well this year as a result of long criticism, and conscious that the Y. M. C. A. was not the living force which as a Christian institution it should be, a new policy was adopted. It was not a case of "away with the old, on with the new"; not Christianity made easy, and Heaven in five lessons. Those who are backing the new policy said: "The Bible should be our source of strength, and especially those teachings in the New Testament; there shall be thoroly organized classes for Bible study. But, said they, time is limited, and faith without works is dead; there is, they said, so much active, practical Christian work to be done, and there is so much work that we can and should do ourselves, work that unless we do it will be left undone, that we will put our strength into it and make its accomplishment our aim. The task finished shall be our justification."

I confess a strong leaning toward this plan; the task referred to in part being educational work among the foreign element in Utica, the organization of a Boys' Italian Club, and classes in English for others. It is essentially a creative Christian undertaking and deserves the backing of every man jack of us. We are on the earth and in the College to learn to help the other fellow. Sometimes we forget, but the truth remains. We are suspicious of the man always on his knees: we suspect that the bottoms of his feet are as tender as the anatomy of a new-born babe. But let it drop—the idea, not the babe, and take up the matter of prayer meeting. We say our feeble word in its behalf; we believe that where work is, there is felt the need of prayer. No work, no pray.

And, in closing, we urge upon every man in College the value of thinking, and when our ideas are well thinked, the virtue of spineful assertion. Let us keep our noses trimmed to the breezes of life. Let us ask more questions, let us keep busy, and this praying business will take care of itself.

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HILL NOTES

The 'Varsity picture was taken at the Hall of Languages last Tuesday.

The Beta of Sigma Phi held an informal tea after the Union game on Saturday.

The Musical Club picture will be taken in Commons Hall Wednesday afternoon.

Jack Keeffel, the College Tonsorial artist, opened a new shop on Park Row last week.

Evans, '10, and Jessup, '11, have returned from Boston, where they have been in attendance at the Delta Upsilon convention.

Brownell, '13, was injured in the gymnasium last Friday, while doing work on some of the apparatus. He was hurdling the horse at the time, and fell, spraining his ankle seriously.

At a recent meeting of the Y. M. C. A. Cabinet, Colson and Day were chosen delegates to the Student Convention, to be held in Rochester, from the 28th of December to the 2nd of January.

G. Floyd King, of Clinton, has made arrangements with the managers of the Glee and Instrumental Clubs, for a concert to be given in the Scollard Opera House, on Monday evening, December 6.

WESLEYAN'S INAUGURATION

The ceremonies for the inauguration of President William Arnold Shanklin, '83, were most imposing and the date of the event will probably go down as one of the most memorable in the history of Middletown. President Shanklin took the oath of office in the presence of President William H. Taft, Vice-President Sherman and a group of notables including a large majority of the foremost educators of the country. Perhaps, seldom before in the history of Connecticut has such a notable group of nationally prominent men been brought together.

The new executive has been in Middletown for the past few months and already has won the confidence, respect and admiration of students, faculty and alumni. Dr. Shanklin is a Hamilton graduate, in the class of 1883, and his career as an educator has been pursued principally in the West, where his ability has long been recognized. He is known to be a progressive worker and is an earnest scholar.

Dr. Stryker was present at the ceremonies and the degree of Doctor of Laws was conferred upon him. Elihu Root, '64, and Sherman, '78, also received degrees.

Among the other Hamilton men who attended the inauguration were Dr. Dwight Holbrook, '75, G. W. Knox, '74, Henry Holbrook, '78, Bristol, '82, Patteson, '87, Bloyer, '06 and Knox, '10.

COLLEGE SMOKER

On Friday evening the College assembled in Commons Hall for its annual Football Smoker and the present college generation has not witnessed a more enthusiastic gathering in some time. The spirit was distinctly Football thruout, and when kindled by the thrilling words of Richard S. C. Drummond, '01, burst out in tense enthusiasm, which bespoke loyalty to the team and to the College. The program, similar to those of former occasion was enjoyable from beginning to end.

The College began to assemble at the long tables about 7 o'clock, the seating being in class order. The new football songs and cheers were practiced while light refreshments were being served. Dr. A. P. Saunders was now called upon and responded with a few timely remarks about the game with Union the next day. He commented on the work of the men in the under classes, which was a favorable indication of a strong team next year, and said that the large classes which are now entering college promise better athletics for the future. He urged the importance of interclass football, referring to the recent game between the Freshmen and Sophomores as a precedent for the future. Dounce, '10, spoke confidently of victory over Union. He urged the men on the side lines to do their duty by cheering the team, adding that there is room for improvement in this department.

Coach Pryor was the next speaker, and by his prediction of a fair day for Hamilton in its contest with Union, won loud applause. He said that the time to start preparations for a team next year is now, and that we can best do this by getting new strength for the line. In speaking of the backs he said, that in the opinion of a football man who has seen many of the fastest back-fields in the country, Harper, Sidle and Knox make a formidable combination that would be difficult to duplicate. In conclusion he congratulated the men for the work they have done, and thanked them for their dilligent efforts to make the season a success. When he had finished, a thundering "Trip yell" showed the appreciation of the students. The Quartet furnished a little entertainment at this point, and were repeatedly encored. Professor Babcock responded to an insistent demand, and speaking of the value of ideals, he emphasized the necessity of unity in action, and the value of the man who is a complete unit. He drew his conclusion by urging the team to play as a complete unit, and the College to be united in their support.

Dr. Squires, who had come in while Professor Babcock was speaking, was called upon and expressed his appreciation of having the opportunity of addressing the college again. He said that this is an age where the impossible is possible and told the team that this should be their motto in the game with Union. He lauded the high standard of Hamilton athletics and in conclusion told the college something of his work all over the State.

"Dick" Drummond, '01, then responded with a stirring appeal for more spirit, on the part of the players as well as of the whole college. He called to mind the days when the Hamilton goal line was crossed only twice, and then by West Point, one of the fastest teams in the country. He said that he wanted to see some of the old spirit in the game with Union, and hoped that the team would redeem themselves. A burst of hearty applause gave substantial endorsement to Judge Drummond's words.

A cheer for every man on the team was followed by "Carissima" as an appropriate conclusion to a Hamiltonian evening.

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